

REMARKS

The specification has been amended to make editorial changes therein, bearing in mind the criticisms in the Official Action, to place the application in condition for allowance at the time of the next Official Action.

The indication that claims 9-11 include patentable subject matter is acknowledged with thanks. In reliance thereon, the subject matter of claim 9 has been divided (it includes two alternatives), with one alternative added to claim 1 and the other alternative retained in claim 9. Claim 6, from which claim 9 depended, has been included in both alternatives and has been canceled. New claims 22-33 have been added that depend from claim 9 and that correspond to original claims 2-3, 5, 8 and 12-19. Method claim 20 has been similarly amended, with one alternative of claim 9 being included in new claim 21 and the other alternative in amended claim 20. Accordingly, claims 1-5 and 8-33 are believed to be in condition for allowance because they include subject matter indicated to be allowable.

The amendments herein are believed to overcome the substantive rejections of claims 1-8 and 12-20. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections are respectfully requested.

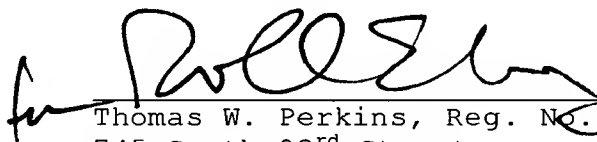
In view of the present amendment and the foregoing remarks, it is believed that the present application has been placed in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

Please charge the fee of \$86 for the one extra independent claim and \$198 for the 11 extra claims of any type added herewith, to Deposit Account No. 25-0120.

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